

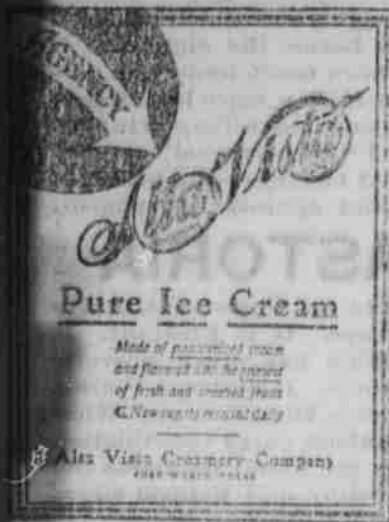
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## COLQUITT MEN CONTROL CONVENTION AT SANTONE

Hanger is Named for Temporary  
Chairman—Committees are  
Chosen.

San Antonio, Texas, Aug. 15.—Operated by a howling mob, the Colquitt steam roller flattened the opposition in short order this morning when the temporary organization of the convention was perfected with W. A. Hanger of Ft. Worth as temporary chairman and Dayton Moses as secretary.

Pandemonium broke loose when Cullen Thomas of Dallas, a Ramsey man attempted to put in nomination for the temporary chairmanship, the name of O. S. Lattimore of Ft. Worth.

Howls, catcalls and cries of "we don't want to hear him" drowned the speaker's voice for forty minutes.

Thomas, smiling, still held the platform, finally addressing his remarks to the newspaper reporters.

Trouble was threatened at one stage of the game, when an attempt was made to pull Thomas off the platform by a threatening delegate.

The name of Lattimore was finally placed before the convention, followed by the nomination of Hanger.

The roll call showed a vote of 522 3-4 for Hanger and 274 1-4 for Lattimore.

After naming the committees, the convention adjourned until eight o'clock tomorrow morning.

A fight promised by some of Colquitt's supporters against the governors stand for the 9:30 closing of saloons, promised this morning to delay the framing of the platform of the platform for presentation to the State convention until tonight.

Among the principal features of loon closing at 9:30 p. m. to 7:00 a. m.; provisions to enable cities to keep saloons out of the resident districts; compulsory arbitration of labor disputes; civil service for State election law, prohibiting corporate employees, revision of the Terrell election law, prohibiting corporations from campaign contributions, prison reforms, bonded warehouses for holding cotton; five cent tax for Confederate pension purposes and a general endorsement of Governor Woodrow Wilson.

**Contests Decided for Colquitt:**  
The contests from Andrews, Cottle, Henderson, Haskell, Brazoria, and Hays counties were decided this morning in favor of the governor's delegation.

**The Liquor Plank:**  
The governor's liquor plank reads:

"We demand the enactment of a law by the next legislature which will require every saloon in the state to close their place of business at 9:30 p. m. each week day and keep same closed until 7:30 the following day and empower any incorporated city or town to close them earlier in the evening if the people deem it advisable.

"We demand the enactment of a law by the next legislature empowering the city commission or city council of each town in the State to prescribe the districts within which intoxicating liquors may be licensed to be sold within such city or town and empowering such city commission or such city council to prohibit the location of saloons in the resident districts.

"We favor an amendment to the local option statute which will provide that when an election on local option is held in any county or subdivision thereof, and local option is defeated, that the people of any such county or subdivision thereof where local option may be defeated may order an election forthwith in a like manner that an election on local option is ordered, and may vote to confine the sale of intoxicating liquor to unbroken packages and prohibit the drinking of same on premises where sold.

With regard to this last provision there is some difference as well as to the closing provision, though it is not so pronounced.

Some of the South Texans claim that entirely too much is being given up.

**Plank for 9:30 Closing is Agreed Upon.**

San Antonio, Aug. 14.—The platform committee this afternoon reached an agreement over the plank for the early closing of saloons.

The committee finally agreed to the demand of Governor Colquitt,

that the platform contain a plank for the closing of saloons from 9:30 p. m. to 6 a. m.

The insistence of the governor upon the hour caused the delay in reporting the platform as some of his supporters on the platform thought that 9:30 was too early.

The platform with the early closing plank was presented to the convention late this afternoon.

Its adoption is expected.

**Colquitt Takes Platform:**

To the tune of Dixie the Governor marched to the platform thru solid ranks of yelling, standing delegates.

Mrs. Colquitt and Miss Mary Colquitt watched from the gallery.

As the governor advanced to the edge of the stage, the band struck up "We won't go home 'till morning."

Gov. Colquitt said:

"The people are in the saddle, the politicians are out of it. As long as I am governor, one thought that guides me is the welfare, liberty and rights of the individual citizen.

The time has come when my bitterest enemy ought to shake hands with me and help produce political peace. There are not enough men in all the broad confines of Texas to deter me from doing my duty according to the dictates of my heart and conscience and judgment.

**Reason on Tarone:**

"Judgment, conscience and reason are enthroned in Texas and as long as I have the privilege of presiding in the governor's chair and that shall be my guiding star. Do right because it is right.

I never have gone before the people with a forked tongue.

I hope this state will be spared from ever again going through such a bitter campaign as this has been.

I hope you will not try to find a scape goat on which to unload my mistakes. If I make mistakes I will take the responsibility for them.

I hope that the platform which you yet have to adopt here will be harmonious in all matters with my speech.

With this declaration the speech ended.

There were a few shouts for Ramsey, but they soon died out.

Nominating speeches for all other candidates were dispensed with and the candidates declared nominated.

The convention then adjourned until 7:30 p. m. to await the report of the platform committee.

Total vote 334,353.

For Colquitt, 217,513.

For Ramsey 174,423.

Colquitt's majority 41,484.

Using 509 as the basis for each convention vote there will be 815 votes in the convention.

Governor Colquitt will have 479.7 and Ramsey 144.7.

Twenty one seats are contested, thirty three unopposed and the others not reported.

There are several counties from which no returns have been received

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## THIRTEEN MILLIONS IN BONDS MAY BE ISSUED

Pecos and Northern Texas Railroad  
Asks for Revaluation of  
Properties

The Pecos & Northern Texas railroad company yesterday filed application with the Railroad Commission for a revaluation of its properties and for permission to issue additional bonds to the amount of \$13,378,556.13.

The proceeds of the proposed issue will be devoted to paying off the actual cost of construction and to improvements and betterment in general.

In its petition filed with the commission the road sets forth its mileage as follows:

Main line—Amarillo to Farwell, 94.5 miles; branches Canyon to Plainview 57.2; Plainview to Floydada 26.1; Cap Rock to Lamesa 54.3 and Lubbock to Coleman 190.1 miles.

The road was originally capitalized for \$710,000. Since its organization it has issued bonds to the amount of \$1,140,000.

**Trinity Will Run Boats**  
St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 14.—Word has reached this city of the organization of a steamboat company at Dallas, Texas to own and operate a boat line on the Trinity river between Galveston and Dallas.

It is recalled here that citizens of navigation of the Trinity for years and that several appropriations have been made by the Federal Government amounting to one million, four hundred thousand dollars to construct dams, channels and other means of widening the river, making it accessible to traffic.

It is reported that over 380 miles of the river bed have been improved and that a steamer and tow barge will be in operation by September 15.

## First Bale Record Broken

The first bale of cotton to be raised in Scurry County this year was brought in Saturday last by M. F. Garrett living on the D. J. Price farm South of Snyder. Uncle Dave Nation got busy and raised a premium amounting to \$29.35. Mr. Brice the gin man donated the ginning \$3.50. The cotton was sold at public auction and bought in by the Hunter Mercantile Company at 14.10. The bale weighed 496 lbs. and the total proceeds netted Mr. Garrett \$96.78. This is the earliest bale of cotton ever marketed in this county.

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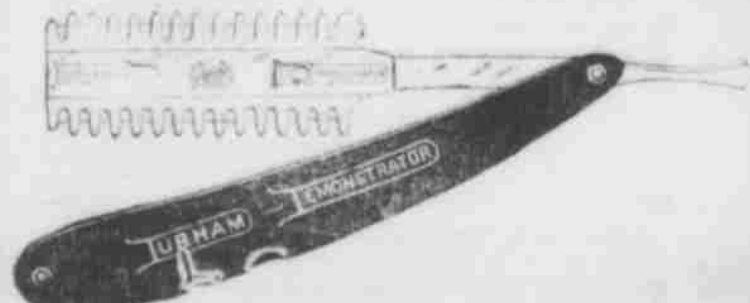
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